Kerosene to Rajasthan

753. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the present quantity of kerosene allocation to Rajasthan;

(b) whether it is a fact that Government have been curtailing kerosene allocation to the State;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether Government would consider increasing the allotment of kerosene to the State in near future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN): (a) Kerosene allocation to the State of Rajasthan for the current fiscal year is 4,06,152 Metric Tonne (MT).

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. In line with the uniform policy being adopted for all the States/Union Territories, Kerosene allocation to Rajasthan for the year 2003-2004 has been reduced taking into account the number of LPG connections released in the State during December, 2001 to November, 2002.

(d) In view of (b) and (c) above, No, Sir.

Evaluation committee on fuel from plastic

754. SHRIMATI BIMBA RAIKAR: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have evaluated the claim of a Nagpur based scientist couple for production of petrol from plastic wastes;

(b) if so, the findings of the Evaluation Committee; and

(c) whether any prototype production unit for petrol from plastic wastes is under installation and if so, the location and capacity thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRIMATI SUMITRA MAHAJAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The findings of the evaluation reports on the process are that